

“RECYCLE MORE” PILOT PROGRAM ROLLING STRONG

Welcome to your first Recycle More newsletter! Did you know that almost 50% of most residential waste is recyclable? Because this percentage is so high, your neighborhood was selected to test the use of larger recycling receptacles. Now you have space to recycle everything in your household that is recyclable.

The new recycling carts were distributed to 3,000 households in a region spanning across parts of Jamaica Plain and Roslindale. The carts range in size from 65- to 95-gallons and are up to seven times larger than the normal, 14-gallon curbside recycling bin.

Not only are the carts larger, but paper no

longer has to be separated for recycling. Paper of all kinds may be tossed into the cart along with cans and bottles. See below for a detailed list of recyclables.

You and your neighbors will be able to use the carts until November 30. During this time, the carts will be monitored to see if they yield

- More recycling
- Less trash
- More participation in the recycling program
- Cleaner streets

We will report our findings in future newsletters. If the pilot program is successful, the use of recycling carts may be taken city wide.

YOU CAN RECYCLE MORE AND TRASH LESS

More recycling equals less trash. Less trash means less expense and a better environment for all of us. **Challenge yourself: recycle everything you possibly can and have the smallest amount of trash on the block.** If you don't already recycle, now is your chance.

Please keep the following items out of your trash and in your recycling cart. Please give food containers a quick rinse before recycling them.

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| • Newspaper and inserts | • Flattened milk cartons |
| • Office/Notebook Paper (staples, paperclips OK) | • Corrugated cardboard (cut down to 3'x3' or less to fit inside cart) |
| • Magazines | • Clean pizza boxes |
| • Catalogues | • Glass bottles and jars (labels and lids OK) |
| • Junk mail (remove free samples; plastic envelope window OK) | • Tin cans |
| • White and colored paper/brown bags | • Aluminum: cans, foil, and pie plates |
| • Phone books | • Aluminum foil |
| • Paperback books | • Aluminum pie plates |
| • Box board (i.e. cereal boxes) | • All plastic containers |
| | • Juice and soy milk boxes |



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How is your recycling cart working for you? Email any questions, comments, photos, stories, etc. to recyclemore@cityofboston.gov.

Not Using Your Recycling Cart?

If you absolutely do not want your recycling cart, please call 617-635-4959 to have it picked up. We are monitoring cart use. In the future, unused carts will be collected by Public Works.



Thomas M. Menino, Mayor

